NEWS for Youth Work Professionals

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

DIVAs Forge Bright Futures with Mentors' Help

Read the whole Star Tribune article about Project Diva here.
*Note that Project DIVA is looking for mentors for the 2014-2015 program year. For more information, visit Project Diva.



Minneapolis Health Department RFP for Youth Violence Prevention Initiatives: Summer 2014

RFP for "Blueprint-Approved" Youth Violence Prevention initiatives to take place in the summer of 2014. See the notice of issuance attached and forward to anyone who may be interested. Questions: health@minneapolismn.gov

HIRED's Teen HOPE Program Seeking Worksites

HIRED, in partnership with MVNA, works with pregnant or parenting girls and has been awarded funding to hire these young moms for temporary work experiences. They are looking for youth serving or youth friendly organizations that could be a worksite. Most of the participants would have gone through customer service and professional etiquette training in preparation for a success internship. Internships can last 4-12 weeks depending on the worksite. Contact Kelly Henriksen if you are interested in learning more about the program and possibly serving as a worksite. Kelly.Henriksen@HIRED.org, or 612.287.1393.

Helping of The Heart Family Meals

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 5-7 pm, Oak Park Center, 1701 Oak Park Avenue North, Minneapolis Healthy, delicious meals for the whole family. These meals include homework help sessions and parent resources. For more information, call 612-377-7000.

EVENTS

Ole 4th Avenue South Day

July 12: 11AM Parade, 12-4PM Festival, 34 St/4 Ave. Fun for the whole family. See attached flyer for schedule and how to register as a vendor or a parade participant. YIYUSA at the Roseville Central Park

YIYUSA (Youth International Youth USA) A Dance Drama July 13, 5:30pm, Frank Rog Amphitheater, Central Park 2540 Lexington Ave N, Roseville, MN. FREE Admission. Asian Dance Theater will present an unforgettable show featuring interweaving non-stop acrobatics, amazing costumes, and dazzling dances. Sponsored by Asian Media Access and Iny Asian Dance Theater. For more information: see.xiong@amamedia.org, 612-376-7715

Dragon Festival 2014

July 12 & 13, Lake Phalen Park, St. Paul, Minnesota Come experience two days, from 10am to 5pm, of fun, cuisine, and the Asian arts. Free Admission - Free Performances-Free Children's Activities - Free Parking



Webinar: The Power of Youth Development and Recovery Supports for Girls

July 24, final webinar in the Girls Matter! series: The Power of Youth Development and Recovery Supports for Girls. Speakers represent national organizations supporting adolescent girls, as well as voices of individuals in recovery. Click here for full details and registration.

Community Empowerment through Black Men Healing

Conference: September 19 & 20, Metro State University Conference goals are to improve the health and wellness of African American men and their families, resulting in the larger community becoming healthier and safer. Open to men and women of all cultures working with the African American community or interested in the topic. For history, updates and more information: visit here.

MORE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Early Childhood Education Survey

Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans has launched their early childhood education survey. Send the survey link to your networks and eligible parents.

Who is eligible to take the survey? An adult who is: 1. Primarily responsible for their family's early childhood education and childcare; AND 2. A Minnesotan resident; AND 3. Responsible for a child age 4 and under; AND 4. The child is of at least one the following ethnicities: Hmong, Vietnamese, Lao, Cambodian, or Karen. Eligible participants who prefer to take the survey in their native language can call 651-280-2688.

What do participants get for taking the survey?
•\$10 Target gift card; AND •20% off MN Zoo admission; AND •Entry into a lottery to win one of the following prizes: a set of culturally appropriate books from the Reading Together project, MN Zoo tickets, MN Children's Museum tickets, and MN Children's Museum memberships.

In addition to the survey, the council is asking for Vietnamese and Cambodian parents for focus groups - \$25 Target gift card incentive. Interested participants should contact atangelina.nguyen@state.mn.us.

For more information on this research project, visit <u>this</u> <u>page</u> on their site. Access survey <u>here.</u>

NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

Summer Learning Opportunities:

TXT2014: Teens Experiencing Technical EducationJuly 28-Aug. 1, 9am-2pm, Dakota County Technical
College, Rosemount, MN. For girls grades 5-7 (Fall

2014). Fun, hands-on, workshops offer the opportunity to explore the transportation, technology, industrial, design, health, science, and business programs at Dakota County Technical College. \$50 (Scholarships available) More details and information here.

The Works Museum Summer Camps

Camps, activities and events for kids K-Grade 7.

MCTC Career Exploration Summer Camps

Learn about MCTC's programs and the careers they prepare you for on the MCTC campus in downtown Minneapolis. Get a taste of college life and a potential career, while learning new skills and having fun. 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Lunch is included.

ADULT TRAINING

Summer Institute in Adolescent Health Ready, Set, Now! Access and Youth-Friendly Services

July 28-30, 8AM-4:30PM daily, St. Paul, Minnesota Learn about access to services, examine tools for evaluating the "friendliness" of youth services, visit settings that are successfully supporting youth, and listen to what others have learned about reaching young people, especially those excluded from access. Listen to youth advise on elements of youth-friendly services. For all who work with young people. More info here.

PACER Symposium About Children and Young Adults with Mental Health and Learning Disabilities

Aug. 7, 8:00am-4:30pm, Minneapolis Convention Center For general education teachers, administrators and parents interested in understanding more about mental health and learning disabilities in children and young adults. \$25.00, Lunch provided. More information and registration here.

ADULT EMPLOYMENT

Extension Educator Positions Open

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AmeriCorps Math and Literacy Tutors Needed in Minneapolis Schools

Tutors are needed to help children and youth succeed in school by giving them extra support to read and do math. Minnesota Reading Corps and Minnesota Math Corps train tutors to directly impact students in schools across Minnesota. As a tutor, you will receive support, professional experience, a living allowance of about \$526 (full-time), and an education award of up to \$5,645 to help pay for future tuition. Apply today to become a full-time tutor at www.MinnesotaMathCorps.org. Strong preference is given to tutors who can start serving August 10, 2014. Send questions to recruitment@servemnaction.org.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS

Asian Media Access Seeking Board Members

Board members will help in strategic planning, fiduciary oversight, and organization monitoring to help AMA move forward towards connecting the disconnected. All interested individual email resume to Ange Hwang